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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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| Application Number | 09/913,583 |
| Filing Date | August 16, 2001 |
| First Named Inventor | REECE |
| Group Art Unit | 2663 |
| Examiner Name | NGO, Nguyen Hoang |
| Attorney Docket Number | 36-1474 |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

- a. ☐ Previously submitted (Note: Any previously filed unentered amendments will be entered unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).)
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 35 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status.
- b. ☒ Fees are attached as calculated below:
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) \$790.00 (1801)/\$395.00 (2801) \$ 790.00
 - ii. ☒ Petition is made to extend the due date 1 months (less 1 months previously paid) \$
 - iii. ☐ Other \$
- c. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed.
- d. ☐ Payment by credit card (credit card payment form attached) in the amount of \$ 790.00
- e. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm), to Deposit Account No. 14-1140

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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| Name (Print Type) | Chris Comuntzis | Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) | 31,097 |
| Signature | | Date | February 24, 2006 |

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In re Patent Application of

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Serial No. 09/913,583

Examiner: NGO, Nguyen Hoang

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Title: COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK



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Sir:

RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

☐ **Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.**

Fees are attached as calculated below:

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| Total effective claims after amendment | 6 | minus highest number | |
| previously paid for | 20 | (at least 20) = | 0 x \$50.00 |
| | | | \$0.00 (1202)/\$0.00 (2202) \$ |

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| Independent claims after amendment | 2 | minus highest number | |
| previously paid for | 3 | (at least 3) = | 0 x \$200.00 |
| | | | \$0.00 (1201)/\$0.00 (2201) \$ |

If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, (ignore improper); add
\$360.00 (1203)/\$180.00 (2203) \$

Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this
paper and attachment(s)

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| One Month Extension | \$120.00 (1251)/\$60.00 (2251) | |
| Two Month Extensions | \$450.00 (1252)/\$225.00 (2252) | |
| Three Month Extensions | \$1020.00 (1253)/\$510.00 (2253) | |
| Four Month Extensions | \$1590.00 (1254)/\$795.00 (2254) | |
| Five Month Extensions | \$2160.00 (1255)/\$1080.00 (2255) | \$ 120.00 |

Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add
\$130.00 (1814)/\$65.00 (2814) \$

☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith

Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee
\$180.00 (1806) \$

Assignment Recording Fee
\$40.00 (8021) \$

Other: \$

TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED \$ 120.00

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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